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25X1A 1. On [redacted] that about 40,000 troops of tank units were located at the Weisswasser troop training grounds. Half-track vehicle C 5-19-39, occupied by a major and several EW wearing red-bordered black epaulets with tank insignia, was parked in front of the inn. Truck [redacted] was seen south of Weisswasser. *

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2. The workers' health insurance building (Krankenkasse) in Weisswasser, which had been derequisitioned by the Soviets in November 1950, has housed the Soviet komendantura with 40 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets since April 1951.

3. Only lumber was loaded at the Weisswasser loading point on the Weisswasser-Rietschen railroad line prior to 1 May. **

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4. Residents of Barar, about 8 km east of Weisswasser, stated that 1,500 troops recently moved into newly constructed brick barracks in Barar. ***

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Comment. According to numerous reports by [redacted] 25X1A it is believed that only the 9th Pecz Div has been at the Weisswasser troop training grounds since the middle of April 1951. [redacted] The vehicles mentioned in the present report belonged to this division. Although it is possible that elements of the Northern Group of Forces may practice at Weisswasser, [redacted] previously reported from there belong to the group according to the 25X1C [redacted] it is doubted that as many as 40,000 troops could be at the troop training grounds.

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 Comment. The Weisskeisel loading point is located southeast of Weiswasser on the railroad line to Goerlitz.

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 Comment. The barracks in Sagar are reported for the first time.

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